

Sirs,

I find it somewhat awkward in writing you to inquire about proposals which I have not specifically seen, but rather have been leaked to media outlets at this late date. This clandestine procedure is perhaps more frightening than the exact proposals before the FCC, which we as citizens and owners of the airwaves are not privy to. Why must this be carried out in such a manner? We as citizens deserve at least a public forum to air our opinions as no doubt Mel Karmazin and Rupert Murdoch have done behind closed doors. We deserve to know why it is in our interest to have radio and news programming piped in from out of state? Why it is beneficial for news consumers to have a conglomerate buy up our local newspapers and independent tv stations. Why it is for our betterment that we get to eat franchise food and franchise news? We as consumers, deserve to know!